

If the purpose of the divestiture of AT&T into "baby Bells" was due to antitrust issues, then the current petition to stop the regulation of broadband service will encourage antitrust behavior.

Assuming the deregulation of broadband service does occur, what keeps the phone companies from establishing pricing on broadband such that smaller Internet service providers (ISP) would not be able to survive. There is no reason why the phone companies, who control the communication pathways, should keep the pricing low enough that independent ISPs could stay in business. This is my concern.

As a customer of sonic.net's broadband service, I know the costs for sonic.net would go up significantly if deregulation of broadband service occurs. I oppose the action of deregulating broadband service for internet service providers.